Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Thursday 21 Jan 2021 until 23:59 on Friday 22 Jan 2021

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 20 Jan 2021 at 15:33 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cold conditions to continue with snow showers to low levels, and for strong winds over next couple of days. Lower for shower detail.

Headline for Thursday 21 Jan 2021: Bitterly cold with frequent snow showers and north or northwesterly gales.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 21 Jan 2021

Blizzards
High Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow showers	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Heavy snow
Precipitation probability							
80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%

Forecast for Thursday 21 Jan 2021

Weather: Mainly cloudy with frequent snow showers though rain more likely on lowest ground near northern and western coasts. Some longer spells of snow are possible. Blizzard conditions. Just a few brief sunny intervals.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%

Visibility: Good at times between showers, and away from cloud, falling very poor in snow showers, and in blowing snow. Cloud bases varying as showers pass through, perhaps dropping to 300m-450m at times and some longer periods of cloud on the Munro tops.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	27/31 NE	31/36 N	40/48 N	40/48 N	40/50 NW	39/49 NW	44/54 NW	42/53 NW	40/51 NW
900	24/28 NE	28/33 N	36/44 N	36/44 N	38/48 NW	38/48 NW	41/52 NW	40/51 NW	39/50 NW
600	15/19 NE	20/25 N	24/32 N	23/31 N	26/36 NW	26/36 NW	27/38 N	28/39 NW	26/37 NW
300	5/23 NE	5/26 N	8/33 N	8/33 N	11/38 NW	12/38 NW	11/40 NW	12/40 NW	12/39 NW
Glen	11/23 NE	11/24 N	12/28 N	12/28 N	16/34 N	17/33 NW	17/35 N	17/36 NW	17/33 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-4/-13	-4/-13	-4/-15	-4/-14	-4/-14	-4/-14	-4/-15	-4/-15	-5/-15
900	-4/-12	-3/-12	-4/-13	-3/-13	-3/-13	-3/-13	-3/-14	-4/-14	-4/-14
600	-2/-7	-1/-8	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-9	-1/-9	-2/-10	-2/-9
300	0/-2	0/-2	1/-3	1/-3	1/-3	1/-4	0/-4	1/-4	0/-5
Glen	2/-1	3/-1	3/-1	3/-1	4/-1	4/-2	3/-2	4/-2	3/-2
Freezing Level*	300m	400m	300m	300m	400m	400m	400m	300m	300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing to add

Forecast for Friday 22 Jan 2021
Weather: Clear or sunny intervals and occasional snow showers though rain on low ground in the west.

Maximum wind: Westerly 30 gusts 40mph easing slowly through the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50%

Visibility: Generally good away from showers and clouds, falling poor or very poor in snow showers with cloud bases falling 450m at times.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 on west coast, Plus 2 inland at best.
At 800m: Minus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: 300m

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